



BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE
HYDROGEN ENERGY CALIFORNIA (HECA)

DOCKET No. 08-AFC-8

**COMMITTEE ORDER ADOPTING FILING AND ELECTRONIC DOCUMENTS
DIRECTIVES FOR HECA PRELIMINARY STAFF ASSESSMENT (PART 1 & 2)**

To reduce the amount of paper used, and time spent duplicating paper documents, in this proceeding, the Committee, pursuant to the authority granted to the Presiding Member under Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1210, hereby adopts the attached Filing and Electronic Documents directives contained in **Attachment A**, which shall apply to all filings made after the date of this order.

Public Adviser and Public Participation

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office is available to assist the public in participating in the AFC review process. For information on how to participate, please contact the Public Adviser's Office at (916) 654-4489 or, 800-822-6228 or e-mail: [\[publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us\]](mailto:publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us).

Contact Information

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Information concerning the status of the project, as well as notices and other relevant documents, including the AFC, may be viewed on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at: [www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hydrogen_energy/index.html].

You may also subscribe to receive e-mail notification of all notices at [\[www.energy.ca.gov/listservers\]](http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers).

Dated: August 25, 2010, at Sacramento, California.

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JAMES D. BOYD
Vice Chairman and Presiding Member
Hydrogen Energy California AFC Committee

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JEFFREY D. BYRON
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Hydrogen Energy California AFC Committee

ATTACHMENT A
FILING AND ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT DIRECTIVES

Saving paper. Energy Commission regulations, California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1210 require, in addition to any electronic service, that a paper copy be delivered in person or by first class mail except where a party requests to receive an electronic copy when one is available. Individuals and groups on the Proof of Service list who prefer to receive filings by e-mail and do not require a paper copy in addition to an electronic copy shall inform the Hearing Officer. The Proof of Service list for this matter will delineate those individuals and groups and it is sufficient to provide those individuals with an e-mailed copy only¹. Those not so delineated must receive a paper copy in addition to any emailed copy that the filing party chooses to provide, except as provided in the paragraph below.

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